

Minutes of the December 19, 2001 meeting
City Council Chambers
City of Santa Ana

1. Chair Withers called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Board Members Present

Board Members Absent

John Withers, Chair
Carole Beswick, Vice-Chair
Jose Solorio
Seymour Van Gundy
Fred Ameri
Karen Stein
Joan Dotson
William Ruh

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Staff Members Present

Gerard J. Thibeault, Executive Officer
Kurt V. Berchtold, Assistant Executive Officer
Michael J. Adackapara, Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer
Robert L. Holub, Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer
Joanne E. Schneider, Environmental Program Manager
Barbara Laffoon, Secretary

Legal Counsel

Jorge Leon

Public Attendance

Bob Caustin, Defend the Bay
Ralph Bauer, City of Huntington Beach
Greg Woodside, Orange County Water District
Bob Von Schimmelmänn, City of Orange
Grant Sharp, Orange County PF & RD
Robert Woodings, City of Lake Forest
Steve Stump, Riverside County Flood Control
Tom Rheimer, Riverside County Flood Control
Renzo Marin, El Toro Water District
Eileen Murphy, Bolsa Chica Land Trust
Peter Herzog, City of Lake Forest
Tim Piasky, Construction Industry Coalition
Paul Singarella, Latham and Watkins
Mary Anne Skopainch, County of Orange
Rick Wilson, RW Environmental Consulting
Patrick Danahy, City of Fountain Valley
Joyce Clark, MWD
Konya Vivant, Garden Grove Sanitary District
Maria Stripe, City of Garden Grove
Maryann Gonzalez, WSPA and BP
David Webb, City of Huntington Beach

Dean Albright, Bolsa Chica Land Trust
Steve Hauerwaas, Fountain Valley
Joan Arneson, Bowie, Arneson, Wiles & Giannane for Irvine Ranch Water District
Monica Mazur, Orange County Environmental Health
Larry Honeybourne, Orange County Environmental Health
Mike Itnyre, City of San Bernardino Water Dept.
Bill Pourios, City of San Bernardino Water Dept.
Mark Pumford, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles
Jaimie Logan, PM-Leisure World
Matt Hagemann, Orange Coast Watch
Gene Estrada, County of Orange
Ed Fawbett, Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce
Don Greek, DGA Consultants, Midway City Sanitation District
Joan Urbaniak, Community Associations Institute
Keith Linker, Anaheim
Penny Hill, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Nancy Donaven, Ocean Outfall Group
Rod Cruze, City of Riverside
Rufus Young, Jr., Burke, Williams, Sorenson for the Cities of Lake Forest, Los Alamitos and Stanton
Grace Winchell, Ocean Outfall Group, Huntington Beach
Mike Loving, City of Irvine
Richard Watson, Richard Watson & Associates
Paul Hogan, Inland Empire West RCD
Jim Colson, Orange County Sanitation District
Joey Racano, Orange County Ocean Outfall Group
Maher Nawed, City of Costa Mesa
Robert Beardsley, City of Huntington Beach
Mike Boeck, Clean Water Now! Coalition
Jan Smith, City of Yorba Linda
Bill Hodson, City of Fullerton
Chris Johansen, City of Yorba Linda
Marie Dickens, Buckham and Assoc.
Ray Lewis, Sunset Beach Sanitation District
Jay Golida, Richards, Watson & Gershon
Steve Sanchez, South Coast Water District
Sonia Nasser, County of Orange, PF&RD
Sam Pascual, County of Orange/Irvine Ranch Water District
Doug Korthof
Gonzalo Vasquez, City of Cypress
Jack Keating, Newport Bay Friends
Dan Askenaizer, MWH
John McNamara, Tarmiwa Industries
Ann Crafton, Rossmoor/Los Alamitos Area Sewer District
Don Rebeck, So. Calif. Alliance of POTWs
Ken Greenberg, US EPA
Souri Amirani, City of Santa Ana
Robert Evans, NAIOP SoCal
Patrick McNelly, Orange County Sanitation District
Justin McCuskey, OCBC
Mark Norton, SAWPA
Nick Arhontes, OCSD-Fountain Valley
Mary Jane Foley, MJF Consulting

Irwin Haydock, Ocean Outfall Group
Jack Bath, Tri-County Conservation League
Claire Schlotterbeck, Hills for Everyone
Norris Brandt, Irvine Ranch Water District
Lee Cruz, Yorba Linda Water District
Ted Mullennix, Ennix Incorporated
Judy Lankey, Eastern Municipal Water District
Gary Zeiders, Eastern Municipal Water District
Judith M. Gielow, League of Women Voters
Kelli George, Leisure World, Laguna Woods
Ziad Mazboudi, City of Westminster
Geraldine Lucas, City of Huntington Beach
Sara Bush

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

Action: It was moved by Member Solorio, seconded by Member Beswick, and unanimously approved to change the order of the agenda.

10. Election of Regional Board Officers for 2002

Action: It was moved by Member Van Gundy, seconded by Member Stein and unanimously approved that Member Beswick be appointed Chair, Member Ameri be appointed Vice-Chair for 2002, and that these appointments be effective immediately.

2. Approval of Minutes of October 26, 2001 meeting

There being no additions or corrections, the minutes of the regular board meeting held on October 26, 2001, were approved as presented. New Board members Stein, Dotson, and Ruh abstained from voting.

3. Approval of Consent Calendar Items

Executive Officer Thibeault noted that a request had been made by the public to remove Item No. 6 from the consent agenda. Items No. 4 and 5 with errata remained on the consent agenda.

Action: It was moved by Member Ruh, seconded by Member Solorio, and approved to adopt Rescission Order No. 01-116 and Order No. 01-55, City of Corona, with errata. Member Stein abstained from voting on the City of Corona Item No. 5.

Board Member Withers left the meeting.

8. Renewal of Waste Discharge Requirements, Orange County Public Facilities and Resources Department and Incorporated Cities of Orange County, Urban Storm Water Runoff Management Program (NPDES No. CAS618030) – Order 01-20

As a member of the City of Santa Ana Council, Member Solorio recused himself from participation in Item No. 8.

Information pertaining to this item is contained in a verbatim transcript.

Mark Smythe, Chief of Storm Water Coastal Waters, presented the background regarding the permit.

Public members commenting on the permit were:

Tim Piasky, Construction Industry Coalition
Vicki Wilson, County of Orange
Chris Crompton, County of Orange
John Schlotterbeck, representing County of Orange
Ralph Bauer, City of Huntington Beach
Geraldine Lucas, City of Huntington Beach
Peter Herzog, City of Lake Forest
Joey Racano, Orange County Ocean Outfall Group
Ziad Mazboudi, City of Westminster
Dave Kiff, City of Newport Beach
Jim Smith, City of Yorba Linda
Katherine Gregg
Bob Hodson, City of Fullerton
Doug Korthof
Mike Loving, City of Irvine
George Alvarez, City of Santa Ana
Robert Winchell
Maher Nawar, City of Costa Mesa
Maria Stripe, Sr. Administrative Analyst, City of Garden Grove
Rufus Young, representing Cities of Los Alamitos, Lake Forest, and Stanton
John Bahorski, City of Seal Beach
Jay Golida, Cities of Brea, Buena Park, and Seal Beach
Christine Diemer Iger, Manatt Phelps & Phillips
Justin McCusker, Orange County Business Council
Matt Petteruto, Apartment Association of Orange County
Paul Singarella, representing Community Associations Inc., Leisure World, et al
David Beckman, Natural Resources Defense Council
Bob Caustin, Defend the Bay
Garry Brown, Orange County CoastKeeper
Layne Friedrich, Lawyers for Clean Water, representing Orange County CoastKeeper
Matt Hagemann, Orange Coast Watch
Eileen Murphy, Bolsa Chica Land Trust
Dean Albright, Bolsa Chica Land Trust
Irwin Haydock, Ocean Outfall Group
Larry Porter, Ocean Outfall Group
Dennis Baker, Ocean Outfall Group
Roger von Butow, Clean Water Now Coalition
Mike Beck, Inter-Canyon League
John E. Skinner, Stop Polluting Our Newport (SPON)
Jack L. Bath, Tri-County Conservation League
Maryann Gonzalez, WSPA and BP (Arco)
Sara Bush, SCWOA Divers

BREAK

The Board observed a break from 12:05 until 12:35

Action:	It was moved by Member Ameri, seconded by Member Ruh, and unanimously approved to continue this item to January 18, 2002 and
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limit new discussion only to issues in the errata sheets for final consideration of adoption. The comment period for the two errata sheets remains open until January 8, 2002.

6. Renewal of Waste Discharge Requirements for Irvine Ranch Water District, Michelson Water Reclamation Plant (NPDES CA8000326) – Order No. 01-95

Environmental Program Manager Joanne Schneider presented the item and noted for the Board that an errata had been created just prior to the meeting. She noted that the errata reflected a change for only the purpose of clarification and did not significantly modify any portion of the proposed Order.

Bob Caustin, Defend the Bay, objected and felt the item should be rescheduled so that the errata could be addressed. Ms. Schneider reiterated that the errata simply implemented a provision that was intended to be included in the order, as reflected in the findings. She suggested that, if Mr. Caustin read the errata, it should be satisfactory to him. Mr. Caustin did so and indicated that he had no problem with it. He voiced another concern about the requirements in the proposed order regarding discharge from Sand Canyon Reservoir and the fact that those requirements differed from IRWD's previous waste discharge requirements. Ms. Schneider responded to that concern.

Action: It was moved by Member Van Gundy, seconded by Member Stein, and unanimously approved to adopt Order No. 01-95 with errata, as presented.

11. Board Meeting Dates and Locations for 2002.

Proposed dates and locations were discussed, and January 25, 2002 was changed to January 23, 2002, to avoid members' conflicts.

Action: It was moved by Member Stein, seconded by Member Dotson, and unanimously approved to adopt the meeting dates and locations with corrections.

7. Update of the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List of Impaired Water Bodies

In the interests of time, this item was postponed to the January 23, 2002 Board Meeting.

9. General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sewage Collection Agencies in Orange County Within the Santa Ana Region – Order No. 01-99

This item was postponed to January 23, 2002; however, two persons had traveled from the San Francisco Bay area to address the item. Ken Theisen, Sanitary Engineering Associate, gave a brief background and results of previous interagency meetings. The Board heard the comments of Ken Greenberg, Environmental Engineer, US EPA, and Ben Horenstein, TriTac.

11. Public Forum

Doug Korthof objected to the Board's adoption of the meeting locations without public comment. He noted that the perception is that the Board meetings in Riverside, Colton, and Loma Linda and not close to the ocean. He further objected to issuance of 401 waivers to dischargers.

Adjournment

Item No. 8 was continued to January 18, 2002 at a location to be announced, and the meeting was continued to the special meeting of January 18, 2002, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

GERARD J. THIBEAULT
Executive Officer

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